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Sir:

Applicant requests that this application be accepted under rule 47. One of the three joint inventors has refused to join in the application. The declaration is signed by the two signing inventors, while the names of the non-signing inventor is left blank. The undersigned understands that under patent office rules, this is sufficient to indicate that the signing inventors are signing on behalf of the other one. A discussion of the circumstances follow.

The assignee of this application, Virtual Geosatellite, is involved in a bitter lawsuit with another company that has also taken the name virtual Geosatellite, and has been attempting to

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cause confusion among the two companies. As part of this lawsuit, many of the employees of virtual Geo satellite have actually left the company. Many of those who have left have done so under much less than positive circumstances.

John Draim, one of the inventors, actually is employed by the <u>other Virtual Geosatellite company</u>. Dr. Draim was provided with a copy of this application prior to his departure from Virtual Geosatellite, and has refused to sign declarations which were sent to him.

Acceptance of this filing is respectfully requested.

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